



Dangerous Dogs

Dangerous dog determinations are governed by both Texas law and the Ordinances of the City of Arlington.

A dangerous dog is defined by the [Arlington Animal Chapter](#) of the Arlington Code of Ordinances, Section 1.01, as:

1. A dog that makes an unprovoked attack on a human which causes bodily injury and occurs in a place other than an enclosure in which the animal was kept and that was reasonably certain to prevent the animal from leaving the enclosure on its own; or
2. A dog that commits unprovoked acts in a place other than an enclosure in which the animal was being kept and that was reasonably certain to prevent the animal from leaving the enclosure on its own, and those acts cause a person reasonably to believe the animal will attack and cause bodily injury to that person.

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